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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: NDJOBA ELECTED HEAD OF DTA

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS ON JULY 23, PASTOR CORNELIUS NDJOBA, CHIEF MINISTER OF OVAMBO WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC TURNHALLE ALLIANCE (DTA). A DTA SOURCE IN WINDHOEK TOLD US THAT THE VOTE WAS NOT UNANIMOUS AS KUAIMA RIRUAKO, THE HERERO LEADER, RECEIVED SEVERAL VOTES IN THE DTA'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. RIRUAKO WAS SELECTED TO SERVE AS THE DTA'S VICE CHAIRMAN UNDER DIRK MUDGE. THE DTA SOURCE SAID THAT MANY OF THE TURNHALLE LEADERS BELIEVED THAT BECAUSE RIRUAKO HAD ONLY RECENTLY RETURNED FROM EXILE IN THE UNITED STATES, IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE TO AWARD HIM LEADERSHIP AT THIS TIME. THE NEW VICE PRESIDENT OF
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DTA IS DR. BEN AFRICA, LEADER OF THE REHOBOTH BASTER ELEMENT IN THE DTA.

2. COMMENT: NDJOBA IS NOT AN EFFECTIVE OR CHARISMATIC LEADER. ALSO, UNLIKE EITHER RIRUAKO OR THE FORMER DTA PRESIDENT, CHIEF KAPUUO, NDJOBA ENJOYS NO CREDENTIALS AS A NAMIBIAN NATIONALIST. IT IS DOUBTFUL WHETHER HIS

APPOINTMENT WILL ITSELF RESULT IN ANY ADDITIONAL OVAMBO
SUPPORT FOR THE TURNHALLE GROUP.
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